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I. POLICY

Access to laboratory and diagnostic services shall be adequate to support the level of medical care provided to youth in the facility.

II. APPLICABILITY

This policy shall apply to group homes and youth development centers and shall govern the actions of detention centers in complying with applicable sections of DJJPP Chapter 7 (Health Services).

III. DEFINITIONS

Refer to Chapter 400.

IV. PROCEDURES

- A. Each DJJ facility shall have access to laboratory and diagnostic services to support the level of care provided to youth. The DJJ Medical Director shall approve all providers in advance unless there is an emergency. If there is an emergency, the facility Registered Nurse shall approve the health-care provider.
- B. Procedures shall be outlined by the Medical Director or designee for laboratory testing and accessing diagnostic services. A list of common diagnostic services used by facility health care providers shall state where specified services may be obtained.
- C. In youth development and detention centers, the facility Registered Nurse or L.P.N. shall coordinate the delivery of laboratory and diagnostic services from approved providers. In group homes, the program director shall work cooperatively with the Registered Nurse and primary health care provider to ensure that these services are available when necessary.
- D. Records of all tests and diagnoses shall be maintained in the youth's Medical Record. The Registered Nurse or designee shall ensure that results be

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promptly communicated back to the facility for review by the primary health care provider and placement in the youth's Medical Record. Abnormal results shall be communicated in a timely manner.

V. MONITORING MECHANISM

Monitoring shall be accomplished by the Medical Director or designee and the facility Registered Nurse.